REMARKS

The Examiner objected to the drawings. In response, Applicants have amended the specification to include the missing description for reference number 50 as suggested by the Examiner. No new matter has been added.

The Examiner objected to the disclosure. In response, Applicants have amended the specification as suggested by the Examiner. No new matter has been added.

The Examiner objected to claims 5, 15, 20 and 30 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants greatfully acknowledge the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter. In response, Applicants have amended claims 5, 15, 20, and 30 to include all of the limitations of the base claims and the intervening claims and therefore Applicants respectfully believe that claims 5, 15, 20, and 30 are in condition for allowance. Since claims 2, 6-12, and 31 depend from claim 5 and claims 17, 21-28, and 32 depend from claim 20, Applicants contend that claims 2, 6-12, 17, 21-28, 31, and 32 are likewise in condition for allowance.

The Examiner rejected claims 1-4, 6-14, 16-19 and 21-29 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Tanenbaum (Distributed Operating Systems), and further in view of Pentkovski (US Pub. No. 2004/0039880).

CONCLUSION

Based on the preceding arguments, Applicants respectfully believe that all pending claims and the entire application meet the acceptance criteria for allowance and therefore request favorable action. If the Examiner believes that anything further would be helpful to place the application in better condition for allowance, Applicants invites the Examiner to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below. The Director is hereby authorized to charge and/or credit Deposit Account 09-0456.

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